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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	10/044,130
Filing Date	January 10, 2002
First Named Inventor	Steven D. Burch et al.
Art Unit	1764
Examiner Name	Basia Anna Ridley
Attorney Docket Number	8540G-000081

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
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- ii. ☐ Other Enter the Amendments and consider the Arguments in the Amendment After Final filed March 1, 2004.
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) 01 FC:1801 770.00 DA
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17) 02 FC:1251 110.00 DA
- iii. ☒ Other Any deficiency for a fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17.
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

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Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 880

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

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Deposit Account Number 07-0960

Deposit Account Name General Motors Corporation

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		1001	770	Utility filing fee	
		1002	340	Design filing fee	
		1003	530	Plant filing fee	
		1004	770	Reissue filing fee	
		1005	160	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims -20 ** = 0 X = 0

Independent Claims -3 ** = 0 X = 0

Multiple Dependent X = 0

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		1202	18	Claims in excess of 20	
		1201	86	Independent claims in excess of 3	
		1203	290	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
		1204	86	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
		1205	18	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					(\$) 0

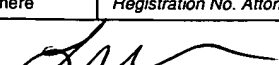
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		1051	130	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
		1052	50	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
		1053	130	Non-English specification	
		1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
		1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
		1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
		1251	110	Extension for reply within first month	110
		1252	420	Extension for reply within second month	
		1253	950	Extension for reply within third month	
		1254	1,480	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		1255	2,010	Extension for reply within fifth month	
		1401	330	Notice of Appeal	
		1402	330	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		1403	290	Request for oral hearing	
		1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		1452	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1453	1,330	Petition to revive - unintentional	
		1501	1,330	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		1502	480	Design issue fee	
		1503	640	Plant issue fee	
		1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
		1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
		1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
		1809	770	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
		1810	770	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
		1801	770	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	770
		1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____					
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid					
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